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# Highwaymen In Khaki Set Upon A Sikh

BRUTAL BEATING AND ROBBERY OF HINDOO IN LONELY HAULUA  
ON WINDWARD SIDE OF ISLAND—WOUNDED MAN BELIEVES  
OUTLAWS MAY BE IDENTIFIED BY BLOOD ON SLEEVES OF  
UNIFORM—ALMOST MURDER FOR A DOLLAR.

A brutal and cowardly crime was committed on the windward side of this island under cover of darkness last night, when several soldiers, clad in uniform, entered the house in which Sikh, one of the recent arrivals, was asleep and unarmed, and beat him terribly, so that it was with difficulty that he came to the city this morning, lodged his complaint and then went, still bleeding, to the hospital.

The police station was startled this morning, after the arrival of the morning train from Kahuku, by the appearance of a tall, gaunt Hindoo, or Sikh, wearing a towering turban splattered with blood, with his nose broken, his eyes blackened and blood-shot and his cheeks lacerated and gory. His body was a mass of bruises and he presented altogether a most pathetic sight.

Able to speak only a few words of English he was long time telling his story. He told how last night he was as-

leep in a house near Haulua, Koolauloa, the windward side of this island, when the house was entered by three men in khaki, three soldiers, whom he believes to be from Fort Shafter. The Sikh was set upon and beaten. His nose broken and his body kicked, cuffed and pummeled.

One of the soldiers went to his clothes and extracted all he had, one dollar and a few nickels.

He was left unconscious and, upon recovering, at once set out to get to town, borrowing sufficient money to come to Honolulu.

The Sikh believes that if the authorities at Fort Shafter will send out a guard the men can be secured, for he remembers, he says, seeing blood on the khaki sleeves of his assailants before he fainted.

There have been a number of the men of Fort Shafter on a tramp around the island and it is supposed by the police that the Sikh's assailants are some of these.

The military authorities have been notified.

# CAN WE HELP PRODUCE RAIN?

AN INTERESTING PROPOSITION MADE TO THE DEPARTMENT OF  
PUBLIC WORKS, IN VIEW OF THE SERIOUS WATER SHORT-  
AGE—CAN A RAINFALL BE INDUCED BY THE USE OF HIGH  
EXPLOSIVES?

The danger of further drought in Nuuanu Valley has waked up some of the business men of the city and means to produce rain are now being looked into. This morning E. W. Jordan, the dry goods merchant of this city called on Superintendent of Public Works Campbell and suggested the use of dynamite to bring the water which is so badly needed.

Mr. Jordan is a firm believer that if a large quantity of dynamite is exploded in the air at a high elevation it will result in a precipitation of rain which will fill the Nuuanu reservoirs and give the city a plentiful supply of water. While he has not had any practical experience as a rain-maker Mr. Jordan feels sure of his ground and may take the matter up with the Merchants Association in an effort to enlist their support for his plan.

In reply to the suggestion Superintendent Campbell stated that he was agreeable to helping out any ex-

periment which would relieve the shortage of water, but that unfortunately the Government did not provide any money with which such work could be conducted. If the money was furnished from an outside source and the work could be done in that way he would be very glad to help.

The idea of using the high explosives is that by their explosion at a high altitude, among clouds which are filled with water, but which pass over without leaving their load on the earth, a vacuum will be created which will bring forth an electrical storm and the clouds, rushing together to fill the vacuum will precipitate their burden of water on the valleys below.

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# ENGINEER COMPANY COMING

(Associated Press Cable to The Star.)

WASHINGTON, D. C., August 11.—A company of engineers from Fort Mason have been ordered to sail for Honolulu on November 5, to survey proposed fortifications.

# ANOTHER WARSHIP SAILS

THE HAGUE, Holland, August 11.—The warship Jacob Vanheemsmark has sailed for the Caribbean Sea.

# A NEGATIVE IS NOT A PICTURE

ATTORNEY EMIL C. PETERS GETS J. A. GONSALVES FREE OF PRO-  
SECUTION FOR THAT POLICE SEIZED NEGATIVES OF AL-  
LEGED INDECENT PHOTOGRAPH INSTEAD OF THE PICTURES  
—UNIQUE CASE IN POLICE COURT ANNALS.

A unique scene in Honolulu's history was this morning enacted in the police court when J. A. Gonsalves was on the defense side of the house to answer to the charge of having in his possession improper pictures for the purpose of sale.

Judging from the stumblings of the prosecution at the start the charge was lame, as is often the case in police court charges, the charge being drawn up carelessly by attorney or otherwise, with the result that the defendant, innocent or guilty, gets off.

A great collection of pictures, negatives and plates was spread out over the tables of the defense and the prosecution and on the judge's desk.

Rev. E. W. Thwing and John Martin, the temperance worker, were the only ones present outside the usual run of witnesses and hangers on, except, of course, police officers and attendants.

It was stated that Thwing had been subpoenaed by the defense, but this the defense, in the person of counsel, E. C. Peters, denied. He thought perhaps Thwing was there for the prosecution. But Sheriff Iaukea stated that Thwing was not present for the prosecution; he understood the defense had summoned him.

There was no explanation as to Martin's presence. Perhaps they both were in court awaiting the coming up of some other case, though they sat within hearing of a considerable part of the argument and testimony in the Gonsalves picture case.

There were all kinds of pictures, two only of which were alleged to be harmful in their possible interpretation.

One general objection that could be made to the majority of the others was that they have been widely circulated and are not of beautiful subjects.

Captain Parker of the police remarked to a representative of The Star that it is a shame that so many pictures of ugly folks are circulated, when there are so many beautiful women in Honolulu and Hawaii whose portraits might be cast abroad.

The two pictures in the possession of the police are plainly undesirable from a moral standpoint.

Peters, for the defense, started the fight by showing that the two bits of alleged evidence taken from Gonsalves' studio were "negatives."

Then came a hot wrangle which was settled by Judge Andrade quoting the legal scriptures and holding that a "negative" was not a "picture."

Gonsalves was charged with having pictures in his possession and here was the prosecution, represented by Attorney Brown, trying to prove a case on negatives. Of course it was all a technicality, but technicalities save many situations.

Araki, the Japanese photographer, was tried as is Gonsalves now being tried, and was fined \$25; but then he did not have a bright attorney to raise the "negative" proposition.

Judge Andrade allowed a recess of ten minutes for the prosecution to read up a case cited in support of the proposition that a negative is not a picture and after more argument the case was dismissed, it not being shown that Gonsalves was responsible for the publication of pictures detrimental to morality.

# RUMORS ABOUT BERT PETERSON

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# ACCUSES BROTHER

(Associated Press Cable to The Star.)  
CHICAGO, August 11.—Peter Claudiano, who was arrested here for complicity in the dynamiting of the Oakland home of ex-supervisor Gallagher of San Francisco, accuses his brother John, who is under arrest in San Francisco.

# AUCKLAND ENTERTAINS

(Associated Press Cable to The Star.)  
AUCKLAND, August 12.—A state ball was given last night at Government house, in honor of the visiting naval officers. There were also concerts for the men.

# MONARCHS TOGETHER

(Associated Press Cable to The Star.)  
CRONBERG, August 11.—The Kaiser today welcomed King Edward.

# MAY FIGHT WITH CASTRO

(Associated Press Cable to The Star.)  
WILLIAMSTAD, August 11.—Gerdland has conveyed arms to the island of Aruba, in anticipation of trouble in Venezuela.

SULTAN'S EASY GENEROSITY.  
(Associated Press Cable to The Star.)  
CONSTANTINOPLE, August 11.—It is announced that the Sultan will pay for a parliament building.

# BIG SEND OF PINES

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# OFFICERS CHOSEN

As the result of two resignations in the officers of company G. of the National Guard of Hawaii an election was held last night and new men will soon hold the commission. Capt. John M. Kea and Second Lieutenant Louis Kekumano both resigned leaving First Lieutenant Benjamin K. Kane the only commissioned officer in the company. At the election held last night he was elected captain by a unanimous vote and his brother, Louis K. Kane, was elected first lieutenant. The position of second lieutenant was filled by the election of George H. Karratti.

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# POLITICIANS STRIKE A SNAG

A PROVISION OF THE MUNICIPAL ACT WHICH THREATENS TO DIS-  
FRANCHISE MANY VOTERS AND CREATE MUCH CONFUSION AT  
THE POLLS—COUNTY ATTORNEY CATHCART IS ASKED FOR AN  
OPINION ON THE MATTER.

Section 70. All persons duly registered under the laws of the Territory to vote for Senators and Representatives at the last general election shall be qualified to vote for City and County officers at this election.

The above section of the new municipal bill is causing about as much trouble to the politicians now as any other matter. It still remains true that as far as primaries are concerned, the various district and precinct leaders are in non-committal mood. The fight for the Republican nomination for mayor promises to be an uncertain one right up to the time of the convention. But in their canvassing of the voting possibilities, the candidates have struck a real problem that effects them all. In Section 70 of the municipal bill.

The question raised by Section 70 is whether it is to be taken as excluding from voting citizens not included in the last register, in the coming November election. All who register in the present registration are without question entitled to vote for Territorial offices, but section 70, a part of a chapter devoted to provisions for the first election under the municipal act, is interpreted by some as meaning that none can vote for the city and county officers except those on the register for the last general election.

The question has been submitted to County Attorney Cathcart for an opinion. There would be serious difficulty at the polls and many disfranchisements if it is held that this section confines the voting list to those on the register now. For one thing, two registers would have to be used in the precinct, also two sets of ballots. Those registering anew this year could vote for Territorial offices, and if they are on the last register, for city and county officers, but those who register now and are not on the last register could only vote for Territorial offices.

Section 70, it is understood, was passed in anticipation of having a special election last July for the City and County of Honolulu. It is the opinion of some lawyers, that, though it was retained in the law, it is of no effect.

# STRUCK IN JAW, NOW A MANIAC

MAD WOMEN SENT FROM HOSPITAL TO POLICE CELL TO AWAIT  
MEDICAL VERDICT TO ADMIT HER TO ASYLUM—CRAZY CRIES  
GET ON NERVES OF COURT OFFICERS—PATROL WAGON TRANS-  
FERS PATIENT—ASSAILANT ON BOND.

With a smashed jaw just healing, Maria Kimoto was last night sent from the hospital because she had become insane and was taken in the police patrol wagon to a cell in the police station to wait until she can be officially pronounced insane and sent to the asylum.

Maria was struck in the jaw by Vasconcellos a few days ago, according to a charge. The person who hit her is out on bond.

Maria went to the hospital with her injury. Last night she became violently insane and disturbed the sufferers in the hospital and, of course, had to be removed.

Instead of being removed in the Board of Health ambulance she was taken to the police station in the police patrol and now occupies a cell from which this morning her maniac screams and heart-rending cries arose to disturb Judge Andrade and the rest of those in the police court.

The doctors are examining her and she will probably go to the asylum this afternoon, but in the meanwhile she has an excellent opportunity to knock her brains out on the hard walls of her cell.

There is in Honolulu no accommodation for a person who is supposed to be insane, until he or she is officially declared to be mentally un-

balanced. Maria could not be kept in hospital on account of her horrid disturbance of other sufferers.

She cannot go to the asylum until she is passed on as insane and the only other place for her in this city is a police station cell.

Her damaged jaw is not yet thoroughly healed.

Whether or not she was insane before the blow of Vasconcellos or whether or not Vasconcellos hit her, as charged, remains to be established. In any event she had a portion of face broken and was last night and this morning giving a very good imitation of a madwoman rampant.

THE SOLE AGENCY.

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